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I. Potential References of Interest

A. Dialog

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12/3,K/1 (Item 1 from file: 350)
DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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WPI ACC NO: 2005-701983/200572
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XRPX Acc No: N2005-576054
Method for calculating net present value of average spot
basket option, involves applying Black-Scholes formalism to
calculated moments of sum of spot values for all assets of basket, to
determine net present value
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Priority Applications (no., kind, date): US 2004812055 A 20040330

Patent Details

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Method for calculating net present value of average spot
basket option, involves applying Black-Scholes formalism to
calculated moments of sum of spot values for all assets of basket, to
determine net present value

Alerting Abstract ...NOVELTY - The first and second moments of the sum of
spot values for all assets of basket are calculated. The Black-
Scholes formalism is applied to the calculated moments, to determine
the net present value of the average spot basket options.
DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for system for
calculating net present value of average spot basket
option...

...USE - For calculating net present value (NPV) of average spot basket option for derivative pricing
of assets...

...DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows a table illustrating the
results of determination of the NPV.

Original Publication Data by Authority
Argentina

Assignee name & address:

Original Abstracts:

A method and system of calculating a net present value of an average spot basket option is provided. The method includes calculating a first and second moment of a sum of spot values of all underlyings of a basket and applying a Black-Scholes formalism to the first and second moments to determine the net present value of an average spot basket option. The method further includes calculating a modified forward spot, a modified strike value, and first and second modified normal distribution functions for application in the Black-Scholes formalism. A system in accordance with the invention includes a memory that stores data that is exercised in connection with determining the net present value, a processor that executes code to determine the net present value in accordance with the a first and second moment of the sum of spot values of all underlyings of a basket and the application of a Black-Scholes formalism to the first and second moments to determine the net present value of the average spot basket option.

Claims:

1. A method of calculating a net present value of an average spot basket option, comprising:
calculating a first moment of a sum of spot values $S_j(t_i)$ of all underlyings of a basket; calculating a second moment of the sum of spot values $S_j(t_i)$ of all underlyings of the basket, wherein the first and second moments are approximate log normal distributions; and applying a Black-Scholes formalism to the first and second moments to determine the net present value of an average spot basket option.

B. Additional Resources Searched

<http://mfs.rutgers.edu/MFJ/Abstracts/V07N12.html> - Google Search

<http://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/viewdoc/summary?doi=10.1.1.136.3620> – Citeseer Search (citations for “The Performance of Analytical Approximations for the Computation of Asian Quanto-Basket Option Prices”)

<http://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/viewdoc/summary?doi=10.1.1.52.5547> – Citeseer Search – “Pricing Asian Options: A Comparison of Analytical Monte Carlo Approaches”

<http://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/search?q=text%3A%28%22first+moment%22%29+and+%28%22second+moment%22%29++and+%28option+derivative%29+AND+year%3A%5B1800+TO+2004%5D&submit=Search&sort=cite> – Citeseer Search – “First Moment” AND “Second Moment” AND “Option Derivative”

II. Inventor Search Results from Dialog

No inventor search results of interested obtained, except PBPub.

III. Text Search Results from Dialog

A. Full-Text Databases

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File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB 1976-2009/Oct 21
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File 160:Gale Group PROMT(R) 1972-1989
(c) 1999 The Gale Group
File 275:Gale Group Computer DB(TM) 1983-2009/Oct 08
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File 9:Business & Industry(R) Jul/1994-2009/Nov 05
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File 610:Business Wire 1999-2009/Nov 07
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File 613:PR Newswire 1999-2009/Nov 06
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File 636:Gale Group Newsletter DB(TM) 1987-2009/Oct 14
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File 810:Business Wire 1986-1999/Feb 28
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File 813:PR Newswire 1987-1999/Apr 30
(c) 1999 PR Newswire Association Inc
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File 95:TEME-Technology & Management 1989-2009/Oct W2
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File 348:EUROPEAN PATENTS 1978-200945
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File 349:PCT FULLTEXT 1979-2009/UB=20091029|UT=20091022
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File 626:Bond Buyer Full Text 1981-2008/Jul 07
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S5 92619 BLACK(3N)SCHOLES OR STOCHASTIC?

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INFORMATION OR DETAILS)

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S9 111 S3 AND (S5 OR S6)

S10 9 S4 AND S9

S11 78 (S5 OR S6) AND S7

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17/3,K/1 (Item 1 from file: 15)
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Options: Old Question, New Answer
Luehrman, Timothy
Business Week (Online) PP: 1 Mar 26, 2004
JRNL CODE: BWOL
WORD COUNT: 1039

ABSTRACT: From an economic perspective, the binomial model is essentially identical to the Black-Scholes model for simple options. Both are based on the equilibrium concept of "no arbitrage" -- that is, at all times, stock and option prices must be...

...TEXT: decision has been discussed at length, less attention has been paid to an equally noteworthy potential outcome: FASB will recommend that companies jettison the venerable Black-Scholes model for determining the fair value of employee options. And the new method the FASB may recommend could have a profound impact on the valuations...

...the stock price and another to calculate corresponding option values, node by node.

From an economic perspective, the binomial model is essentially identical to the Black-Scholes model for simple options. Both are based on the equilibrium concept of "no arbitrage" -- that is, at all times, stock and option prices must be such that no instantaneous and riskless profit is available to traders. Both models also make equivalent assumptions about possible future movements in stock prices. However, Black-Scholes incorporates these assumptions into elegant mathematical expressions, which in turn imply the now-standard formula that gives an option's value.

REALISTIC FEATURES. In contrast...

...probabilities of death, disability, termination, premature exercise, and other factors.

These features do affect option values but are mostly impossible to reflect in the compact Black-Scholes formula. Prior accounting standards either ignored this problem or made sweeping, simplifying assumptions in order to apply a simple model (e.g., intrinsic value or Black-Scholes).

REAL-WORLD EFFECTS. The new standard pushes for a model that accommodates the complexities of real employee stock-option contracts and the real world. Practically...

...means a binomial lattice. We at S&P CVC have developed basic lattices for handling many features that are difficult or impossible to accommodate in Black-Scholes, including, for example:

-- The lengthy contractual life of the option-- Vesting schedules, including the accelerated vesting upon death or disability that's common in many...

...to answer some of the key questions surrounding the potential implementation of the new options-valuation model:

How different are the fair-value estimates for Black-Scholes with expected option life vs. a full binomial lattice?

A lattice-based model with realistic inputs regarding employee characteristics and capital-market data will generate fair-value estimates that differ significantly from Black-Scholes with expected option life. Just how great the difference depends on many factors, such as the demographics and exercise behavior of the employee population.

For...

...difference in estimated fair value will be significant. Its magnitude also depends greatly on what a given business has been using as its estimate within Black-Scholes for expected life and volatility.

We at S&P CVC have seen instances where companies obtain binomial values fully 50% lower than what had been previously estimated using Black-

Scholes with expected option life -- a big difference. But the disparity would be less (or more) dramatic if the company had been using a longer (or...

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ESTIMATING EXPECTED DEFAULT PROBABILITIES USING THE OPTION PRICING MODEL
Hung, Chih-Min
Journal of Financial Management & Analysis v17n2 PP: 60-72 Jul-Dec 2004
ISSN: 0970-4205 JRNL CODE: JFMA
WORD COUNT: 3554

...TEXT: asset value model originally proposed by Merton⁹. Merton developed the mode for pricing corporate liabilities by using an option approach that was extended from the Black-Scholes model. The concept of the Merton model is that a firm defaults when its market value falls below the value of its debts or a...

...default probability and called it the expected default frequency (EDF). This approach relying on the market value to estimate the firm's volatility that incorporates market information on default probabilities. However, many of the basic inputs to the model, the value of the firm, the volatility and the expected rate of return on the firm's assets, are difficult to observe...bonds. Finally, we compare differences in changes of expected default probabilities between bankrupt and survival firms.

Methodology Used

The Merton model (Merton⁹) that developed the Black-Scholes model (Black and Scholes¹⁴) is used to value the liabilities and equity of a firm. Its assumptions are shown as:

* Capital markets are perfect, with no transaction...Tokyo, 1998)

13. Miyoshi, M., Saikenkakuzuke to rironjou no sinyourisuku puremiamu nikansuru kenkyu (Bond rating and credit risk premium, in Japanese), Kinyukenkyu (November 1998)

14. Black, F. and Scholes, M., The pricing of options and corporate liabilities, Journal of Political Economy (81:1973)

15. Kwan, S., Firm-specific information and the correlation between individual...

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DIALOG(R)File 15:ABI/Inform(R)
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Editorial: Modelling credit spreads
Hatgioannides, John

...TEXT: of the firm's equity.¹¹⁻¹³ Furthermore, hedging in structural, Merton-type models is (at least theoretically) straightforward and follows the lines of classic Black and Scholes/Merton analysis.

On the negative side, the key disadvantage of structural models is that the firm value is not directly observable in practice. It is...its analytical tractability and the natural link to market-consistent term structure models.⁹ Observable prices of defaultable bonds in the market are taken as inputs, hence calibration to market data is more straightforward than in structural models. In a word, reduced form models are much better suited to 'fitting' the observed credit spreads than they ...

...and Patience¹⁷ even demonstrate that credit spreads of different corporate bonds of a single issuer and of the same seniority do not exhibit the same stochastic evolution over time. Finally, in Markov chain models credit spreads can only change when a rating change occurs. This is contrary to reality where changes...

...of the modelling approaches for credit risk, see Schönbucher, P. J. (2000) 'Credit Risk Modelling and Credit Derivatives', <http://www.finasto.unibonn.de/~schonbuc/>.

² Black E and Scholes, M. (1973) 'The Pricing of Options and Corporate Liabilities', Journal of Political Economy, Vol. 81, pp. 637-659.

³ Merton, R. C. (1974) 'On the...

...default time, and credit-migration models, which also seek to model migrations between credit rating classes.

¹¹ Bensoussan, A., Crouhy, M. and Galai, D. (1995) 'Stochastic Equity Volatility and the Capital Structure of the Firm', in Mathematical Models in Finance, pp. 81-92. The Royal Society, Chapman and Hall.

¹² Kijima...

...Finance and Economics Discussion Paper Series 1997/15, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

¹⁷ Hatgioannides, J. and Patience, H. (2002) 'On the Stochastic Evolution of Credit Spreads', Derivatives Use, Trading and Regulation, Vol. 8, No. 3, pp. 241-254.

¹⁸ Ransom B. J. (2001) 'Using Models in Managing...

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02293712 82396401
Business value analysis: - coping with unruly uncertainty

Thomas, Russell
Strategy & Leadership v29n2 PP: 16 Mar/Apr 2001
ISSN: 1087-8572 JRNL CODE: PLR
WORD COUNT: 4772

...TEXT: options.

The real options technique is performed in four steps.

(1) Frame the analysis. Define the decision, sources of uncertainty, decision rule, and applicable financial market information.

(2) Implement the option valuation model. Establish inputs: current underlying asset value, time frame, leakage value, volatility, private risk, risk-free rate of return. Use an appropriate option calculator (Black-Scholes model or others) to derive the option value.

(3) Review the results. Does the analysis yield a clear decision?

(4) Consider redesigning the analysis, if...

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01407675 00058662
Hedging with derivatives
Smith, Pamela A; Bahrman, P Dean
Internal Auditor v54n2 PP: 68-75 Apr 1997
ISSN: 0020-5745 JRNL CODE: IAU
WORD COUNT: 2524

...TEXT: underlying is proportionately reflected in the value of the derivative; that is, the price movement is synchronized. The net exposure from the hedge is easily determinable.

The market valuation of other instruments, such as option-based derivatives, is more complicated because the relationship between the price of the derivative is not proportional to the change in the underlying. Furthermore, the value of...

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00976592 96-25985
What's driving options analytics?
Epstein, Chuck
Wall Street & Technology v12n6 PP: 28-33 Oct 1994
ISSN: 1060-989X JRNL CODE: WSC
WORD COUNT: 2049

...TEXT: until expiration.

Options pricing models must capture all these factors. These variables are

then evaluated according to a number of pricing models, including the original Black-Scholes model, which is used to determine the fair-market value of European-type call options. (European options must be held until expiration; by contrast, American...

...caps, collars and floors, plus variations on this genre, such as swaptions, and compound options.

Profit Opportunities For Modelers

Due to market acceptance of the Black-Scholes model and the dominance of European-style options in the OTC currency markets, options modeling in foreign currencies has now become very standard.

Because European options models use a modified Black-Scholes in which the inputs for volatility, rate and forward points are well understood, dealers often agree on price. This "commoditization" also has its drawbacks, especially...able to accommodate limited and readily available user inputs. The power of even the most sophisticated models is made moot if the user cannot obtain market data that can be used to describe the inputs. This highlights one very real advantage of using one-factor models. if any of these three considerations are violated, the model is likely to produce...

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00953821 96-03214
Risk-taking, global diversification, and growth
Obstfeld, Maurice
American Economic Review v84n5 PP: 1310-1329 Dec 1994
ISSN: 0002-8282 JRNL CODE: AER

DESCRIPTORS: Stochastic models...

ABSTRACT: An analysis develops a continuous-time stochastic model in which international risk-sharing can yield substantial welfare gains through its effect on expected consumption growth. The mechanism linking global diversification to growth...

...these 2 types of capital captures the idea that growth depends on the availability of an ever-increasing array of specialized, hence inherently risky, production inputs. Calibration exercises using consumption and stock-market data imply that most countries reap large steady-state welfare gains from global financial integration.

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09417565 Supplier Number: 82556084 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
Eastman donates coating technology to EMU's coatings research institute.
(Industry News).

The Journal of Coatings Technology, v74, n924, p24(1)
Jan, 2002
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 415

... 2000 and make it available for purchase or licensing agreements.
The calculated indications of value produced by TRRU metrics, based on the Noble Prize-winning Black-Scholes options pricing formula together with live market data and the user's own inputs, help companies make strategic resource allocation decisions for technology investments. It has also become a key aid when organizations seek to monetize their IP. TRRU...

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09126609 Supplier Number: 79509323 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
Eastman Chemical Company Donates Innovative Coating Technology To Eastern Michigan University.
PR Newswire, p5771
Oct 29, 2001
Language: English Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Newswire; Trade
Word Count: 800

... can use pl-x tools to monetize their intellectual property."
The calculated indications of value produced by TRRU metrics, based on the Noble Prize-winning Black-Scholes options pricing formula together with live market data and the user's own inputs, help companies make strategic resource allocation decisions for technology investments. It has also become a key aid when organizations seek to monetize their IP. TRRU...

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0020575665 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 116068339 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)
An empirical study of structural credit risk models using stock and bond prices.
Ericsson, Jan; Reneby, Joel
Journal of Fixed Income, 13, 4, 38(12)
March, 2004
ISSN: 1059-8596 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 6516 LINE COUNT: 00599

... bonds.
In Ericsson and Reneby (2004), we evaluate this maximum-likelihood approach using several theoretical models and compare it to the traditional methods as in Black and Scholes (1973), Merton (1974), Leland and Toft (1996), and Briys and de Varenne (1997). The main finding is that

the ML method is less biased and...corporate bonds. Monte Carlo simulation shows this method to be superior to the commonly used alternative, yet it has to date not been applied to market data. We use as inputs to the estimation stock and bond prices, dividend yields, balance sheet, and risk-free term structure information. In addition, we set the recovery rates for...

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DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB
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12140671 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 61371578 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Integrating early sales with production decisions: analysis and insights.
WENG, Z. KEVIN; PARLAR, MAHMUT
IIE Transactions, 31, 11, 1051
Nov, 1999
ISSN: 0740-817X LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 8116 LINE COUNT: 00698

... maximize the expected profit and discuss a procedure for computing the probability that the realized value of the (random) profit will exceed its maximum expected value. We present qualitative results on the varying effects of joint decisions on increasing the expected profit and the probability of achieving or exceeding it. We also describe...A simple check reveals that when $(n_{\text{sub}.0}) = (n_{\text{sub}.1}) = n$, we get the standard result $E((Y_{\text{sup}.2})) = np$.

Similarly, the second moment $E((Y_{\text{sup}.2}))$ can be computed and the variance of Y can be found as

$$\text{Var}(Y) = P\{((n_{\text{sup}.2})_{\text{sub}.0})p - 2(n_{\text{sub}.0})((n_{\text{sub}.1} \dots \text{Ph.D. in Management Sciences (1979) from the University of Waterloo, Canada. Mahmut Parlar's research program is focused in the areas of applications of stochastic modeling and dynamic optimization in operations management and more recently in computational finance. His work in these areas have appeared in the form of approximately...$$

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DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB
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09043736 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 18782735 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Linking advertising to box office performance of new film releases - a marketing planning model.
Zufryden, Fred S.
Journal of Advertising Research, v36, n4, p29(13)
July-August, 1996
ISSN: 0021-8499 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 7495 LINE COUNT: 00622

... used to plan the advertising expenditures for a new product during the early phase of commercialization. In practice, these models have been implemented using data inputs from sources such as tracking studies, actual or simulated test market data, and early commercialization market-performance data.

In the model proposed here, we adopt a structure that is based on a

parsimonious framework which follows in...evaluate the adoption of film innovations which extends the Bass (1969) diffusion model framework by incorporating explanatory variables. However, the model is based on a stochastic framework that concentrates primarily on distribution strategy and the adoption of films but ignores advertising effects.

Other diffusion models have considered marketing variables but have...
34 (1988): 734-52.

Rogers, Everett M. Diffusion of Innovations. New York, NY: New York Free Press, 1962.

Sawhney, Mohanbir S., and Jehoshua Eliashberg. "A Stochastic Model for the Effect of Distribution Strategy on the Adoption of Innovations." Working paper, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, 1992.

Shugan, Steve, and Jehoshua...

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DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB
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08478541 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 17844123 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Good news, bad news, volatility, and betas. (covariances of stock returns)
Braun, Phillip A.; Nelson, Daniel B.; Sunier, Alain M.
Journal of Finance, v50, n5, p1575(29)
Dec, 1995
ISSN: 0022-1082 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 10350 LINE COUNT: 00891

... and the conditional covariance matrix is the same order of magnitude as the unconditional covariance, using the unconditional means should have a minor effect in estimating the second moment matrix. Researchers have also found that omitting relatively slowly varying components of expected returns, for example riskless interest rates and dividends, has a very minor...Ball and Kothari.

It is also possible that an existing leverage effect in betas is obscured by our use of an EGARCH rather than a stochastic volatility model. Stochastic volatility models allow for an independent error term in the conditional variance equation. This inclusion of the error term permits realistic estimation of some standard continuous time problems.(20) Although Nelson (1994) finds that as one approaches a continuous time limit, multivariate ARCH models asymptotically approach stochastic volatility models: it is possible that a 1 month interval is not sufficient to approach this limit. Therefore, the recent work of Jacquier, Polson, and ...

...could not produce as large asymmetries as those implied by common EGARCH parameter estimates. A full resolution of these issues would require the estimation of stochastic volatility models with time-varying betas.

Our results also indicate that the bivariate EGARCH model may be useful in other contexts which we have not...asymmetric model of changing volatility in stock returns, Journal of Financial Economics 31, 281-318.

Campbell, J., and R. Shiller, 1987, Cointegration and tests of present value models, Journal of Political Economy 95, 1062-1088.

Chamberlain, G., 1983, Funds, factors, and diversification in arbitrage pricing models, Econometrica 51, 1305-1323.

Chamberlain, G...

...markets, *Econometrica* 51, 1281-1304.

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Petroleum property valuation: a binomial lattice implementation of option pricing theory.

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... recognized; the difficulty has been to find the value in quantitative terms. A theoretical basis for the pricing of stock options was first published by Black and Scholes (1973). Numerous papers have subsequently explored this subject and extended the analysis to the pricing of options on financial instruments and derivative securities of various...

...from capturing option-like characteristics of petroleum investments that are hard to evaluate using conventional DCF methods, the option valuation technique makes efficient use of market information and minimizes reliance on subjective and arbitrary data inputs, as the illustrations in Paddock, Siegel, and Smith (1988) demonstrate. For example, there is no need to forecast oil prices, or to employ risk-adjusted...

...s advantage in situations where regulations regarding land tenure permit such delay. Much of the theoretical work, moreover, relies upon concepts in the field of stochastic calculus and requires a degree of mathematical sophistication unlikely to be found in many of those to whom the results are potentially a matter of...Note that if the percentage change is normally distributed the distribution of actual prices will be lognormal. These characteristics imply a generalized Wiener process, a stochastic process that is described as geometric Brownian motion.

Figure 2. Binomial Lattice Calculations for A Four-Period Model
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Period	0	1	2	3	4...P.,
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... lets you evaluate long and short calls, puts, and straddles; its Advanced partner offers long and short puts, calls, and hedges, as well as the Black-Scholes option pricing model, which Q-West claims uses the most sophisticated equations for determining the value of a call option in modern finance. Those who...a three-day increase in a security's price and volume.

Obviously, technical-analysis packages like AIQ and Dow Jones must rely heavily on current market information. Both depend on online services for daily inputs of market data.

The Bottom Line

In the end, of course, all decisions are up to you: It's your money, and you--not your PC or your...

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...while retaining the notation of the set-up based on the number of shares. Note that the main differences between the two versions are the stochastic process assumption (normal in price vs. normal in returns) and the form of the impact functions (cost defined as a known function of returns instead...

...formulations: a general power function, which is uncorrelated with the price process, with some of its special cases (e.g. linear, square root), and a stochastic linear impact function correlated with the price process. The latter case allows for a feedback loop, whereby a significant drop in returns (prices) can cause...case where the permanent impact affected the equilibrium return through the total of sales, and not in each interval. Here that reduction is zero.

5. Stochastic market impact correlated with returns

The specification in this section is designed to attempt to capture a systemic feedback loop where, as prices and realized...

...without the correlated term was $T = 0.0833$, which was equivalent to 1 month.

Here the case where $(\theta) = 0$ is equivalent to the non-stochastic linear case. One common feature of all the results is that, for all correlations levels, the optimal liquidation time attains a minimum at some level...

...individual tries to minimize. Despite its mathematical complexity, the model is quite easy to use as it offers closed-form solutions for certain parameterizations. The inputs can be easily estimated from general stock market data. For closely held stocks, they can be assessed with significant accuracy with a help of an investment banker specializing in private placements.

Appendix A

In... σ^2)(v^2)

(7.) First apply Definition (5) to get:

(MATHEMATICAL EXPRESSION NOT REPRODUCIBLE IN ASCII.)

and then simply evaluate the non-stochastic integrals.

(8.) To derive the variance we need to evaluate the following expression:

(MATHEMATICAL EXPRESSION NOT REPRODUCIBLE IN ASCII.)

We can split the inside integral...

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...can use pl-x tools to monetize their intellectual property."

The calculated indications of value produced by TRRU metrics, based on the Noble Prize-winning Black-Scholes options pricing formula together with live market data and the user's own inputs, help companies make strategic resource allocation decisions for technology investments. It has also become a key aid when organizations seek to monetize their IP. TRRU...

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Hedging With DERIVATIVES
(While some 80% of private firms see derivatives as key to their respective risk management strategies, a whole new set of risks are also created by derivatives)
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...underlying is proportionately reflected in the value of the derivative; that is, the price movement is synchronized. The net exposure from the hedge is easily determinable.

The market valuation of other instruments, such as option-based derivatives, is more complicated because the relationship

between the price of the derivative is not proportional to the change in the underlying. Furthermore, the value of...

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MARKETING PLANNING MODEL; Part 1 of 2 Parts
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...used to plan the advertising expenditures for a new product during the early phase of commercialization. In practice, these models have been implemented using data inputs from sources such as tracking studies, actual or simulated test market data, and early commercialization market-performance data.
In the model proposed here, we adopt a structure that is based on a parsimonious framework which follows in...

...evaluate the adoption of film innovations which extends the Bass (1969) diffusion model framework by incorporating explanatory variables. However, the model is based on a stochastic framework that concentrates primarily on distribution strategy and the adoption of films but ignores advertising effects.

Other diffusion models have considered marketing variables but have...

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...ABSTRACT entropy method. There are provided an input device (101) into which arbitrarily set information is inputted, a market (102) which is the source of various market information, a calculator (103) which receives various inputs, performs the calculation processing of the present invention and issues an output instruction, an interface (104) which collects information from the market and inputs it...

NOTE:

...SPECIFICATION calculation processing for determining risk-neutral probability distribution with the use of a maximum entropy method, according to the present invention, will be described below.

(Black-Scholes model)

With the use of a model in accordance with the geometric Brownian motion advocated by an economist, Paul Samuelson, a concept that a price ...

...a derivative exists which is determined by a risk-neutral probability without depending on the trend of the underlying asset price was introduced by Fischer Black and Myron Scholes in 1973. By specifically showing that the price of a derivative product (a derivative) the payment amount of which depends on the future stock price ...

...of the underlying asset), with the use of a model, they changed the conventional way of thinking completely (for example, see Patent Document 1).

Specifically, Black and Scholes used the following stochastic differential equation as a model indicating the temporal development of a stock price S_t):

$$dS_t = r S_t dt + \sigma S_t dW_t$$

where W_t denotes...

...neutral probability distribution, and r denotes an interest rate considered to be constant, and σ denotes the volatility of the stock price.

According to the Black-Scholes model, the price of a European call option, for example, can be determined as the following simple expected value dependent on the interest rate r ...

...denotes an expected value under the risk-neutral probability measure.

As described above, from the viewpoint of the concept of the risk-neutral probability, the Black-Scholes model can be said to be a model in which a random component in a changed portion relative to the current value of a stock...

...Therefore, it is three variables of the current value of the stock price, the interest rate, and the volatility that must be specified in the Black-Scholes stock price model. In the procedure for actually determining the price of an option, a volatility variable is fixed first, and then, such a probability...

...payment amount at the maturity of the option contract is calculated with the use of the determined probability distribution.

The result is the so-called "Black-Scholes option evaluation formula". Therefore, this formula also depends on the maturity of the option contract and the exercise price in addition to the current stock...

...price data, it is impossible to accurately determine the current and future volatility. However, it is necessary to determine some volatility value to use the Black-Scholes evaluation formula.

As a method for setting this variable, a method called an implied volatility as shown below is commonly used. That is, by specifying the variables such as the maturity and the exercise price in the Black-Scholes evaluation formula and examining the quotation of the option price in a similar transaction actually performed in the market, backward counting of a volatility value...

...already existing in the market is used on the basis of examination of the market.

Though such an implied volatility is used to use the Black-Scholes evaluation formula, this is accompanied by some problems. If the implied volatility is determined with the use of the market price of an option with...

...also, a different value is obtained.

One reason is that the price of the option actually transacted in the market is not determined by the Black-Scholes model. However, a more basic problem is that the constant volatility assumed in the Black-Scholes model does not describe actual stock price fluctuation.

Accordingly, when an implied volatility which is obtained by using the

Black-Scholes formula and data of option prices corresponding to various exercise prices in transactions performed in the market is determined for a particular maturity (that is...

...a trader quotes the price of an option, he generally uses an implied volatility value on the volatility surface. By substituting the value in the Black-Scholes formula, an actual price is determined.

(Application of Black-Scholes model)

The most important point in the Black-Scholes formula is that an arbitrage opportunity is not given. Furthermore, according to the Black-Scholes model, there is an advantage that hedge means which eliminates risk is specifically determined. On the other hand, the Black-Scholes model, in which commission is not considered and the volatility is constant, is not a model which correctly describes the actual market, and therefore, investment banks and hedge funds in the world have extended the Black-Scholes model to evaluate derivatives.

A great number of extended Black-Scholes models exists. As a method for numerically introducing such a model, there is a method of extending the model into a binomial tree model or...

...an evaluation method. Algorithmic Trading in Canada and The MathWorks (MATLAB) in U.S. are representative enterprises. All of these evaluation devices mainly use the Black-Scholes model, an extended Black-Scholes model, a binomial tree model, or a volatility model obtained by extending the model, and depend on a model which indicates temporal development of an...the option product immediately falls a prey to other rivals.

In summary, the model indicating the temporal development of an underlying asset, such as the Black-Scholes model, is not a model which describes an actual price fluctuation, at all, and as a result, it is not possible to avoid a loss...

...a derivative product without necessity of special knowledge.

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...obtained.

As shown in <FIGREF IDREF=F0007>Figure 7</FIGREF>, it is seen that the result obtained by this example is relatively close to the Black-Scholes model.

Thus, it is possible to obtain a hedge strategy (delta), and thereby,
it is possible to find a correct hedge strategy and effectively achieve
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...SPECIFICATION proposals in the foregoing allows and explicitly provides
to treat all singles or measurement values in all dimensions explicitly
as variates, i.e. random or stochastic variables. This reflects
applied measuring procedures generally more correctly than treating e.g.
a respective quantitative measurement quantity (e.g. ion intensity) as
variate on...of the r-th power of the difference of the random variable
to its first moment.

The location of the density of some distribution is determined by
the first moment, the shape by the following higher-order

central moments. The more moments are equal, the more alike distributions are.

Illustrative examples

In the following some...

...number of the last data point added as candidate member to a respective group of data points forming a peak and rounded average m/z value.
In the present case, after the first scan, there are two groups each including one candidate member or two peaks formed each by one candidate data point, namely...

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... In ACE(R), the user can define the weight on risk. To allow for this, ACE(R) formulates the trading problem as a multi-period stochastic control problem. The solution to this stochastic control problem is the optimal strategy that minimizes the weighted sum of price impact and opportunity costs. ACE(R) provides the expected costs and standard...

...ticker symbol, cusip, exchange) closing price, volatility, and trading volume. At step 205, estimations are calculated for the customer's set of parameters and system inputs based on the most recent market data. At step 206, the results are displayed to the customer as a table of expected costs and standard deviation of costs for different RAP values...

...costs for a user-specified weights on cost and risk, and trading horizon. It does so by expressing the trading problem as a multi-period stochastic control problem. It then calculates the expected cost and the standard deviation of the cost for the resulting optimal strategy.
[0059] The execution cost is...

...considered as simply an average value of total cost if the execution could be repeated many times, since the total execution cost C is a stochastic or random variable rather than a deterministic value or number. This is so because total execution cost is subject to a large number of unknown...

...day. Such an effect is usually called a permanent price impact. The market price is also affected by other factors that are captured in a stochastic disturbance term. Of course, both the temporary price impact and the permanent price impact increase with the number of shares traded within a bin.

[0074]...

...horizon and the average execution price for the order. Since there are both deterministic and random factors involved in the dynamic analysis, execution costs are stochastic in nature and should be analyzed by statistical methods. Further, given the multi-period nature of the optimization control problem, the analysis also requires the use of stochastic dynamic programming.
[0075] FIG. 3 provides an illustration to the above-described concepts and terms.

The temporary and permanent price impact applies to both single... microstructure models that derives equilibrium security prices when traders have asymmetric information. In Bertsimas and Lo, the authors introduce a price impact model and apply stochastic dynamic programming to derive trading strategies that minimize the expected costs of executing a portfolio of securities over a fixed time period. Breen,

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FUEL OFFERING AND PURCHASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
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... matrix generator 125 operates on the parameters it receives from
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in accordance with a stochastic model of the dynamics of the market 110. In one implementation, the product matrix generator 125 may consider some of the market variables and/or other input parameters in Fig. 4A and discussed below. Product matrix generator 125 may solve a stochastic differential equation to provide a commodity volatility model based on the input parameters.

[0040] In one embodiment, the matrix generator 125 is configured to solve stochastic differential equations for market models using parameters provided by real-time market parameter generator 108 and market history analyzer 115. Among other parameters provided by...

...between a retail fuel spot price and a wholesale fuel spot price. Matrix generator 125 processes the spot price spread information in accordance with a stochastic model. In embodiments of the Fuel Offering Generator, the matrix generator 125 is further configured to process retail fuel forward curve parameters in accordance with a stochastic model. The retail forward curve parameters may be provided by the market history analyzer 115. In another embodiment of the Fuel Offering Generator, the matrix...

...parameter generator 108 and from market history analyzer 115. Product matrix generator 125 processes and analyzes the information to provide a solution for the adapted stochastic differential equation. Product matrix generator 125 may be coupled to price information generator 130 and configured to provide the solution thereto. Based upon the solution ...

...the parameters related to current market conditions are analyzed 123. In one embodiment of the Fuel Offering Generator, the analyzing step is carried out by stochastic modeling. Price information for the fuel offering is generated 143. In one embodiment of the Fuel Offering Generator, price sensitivity information related to the fuel...

...Figure 3A, a combined logic and data flow diagram is shown illustrating one implementation of the financial structure model. A pricing module 301 receives as inputs fuel market information 303, historical analysis 305, and offering parameters 310. Details surrounding the nature of these inputs, including examples thereof, and of pricing module operation, will be...Fuel Offering Generator operation. Figure 4A shows processing flow for pricing of offerings in one embodiment of Fuel Offering Generator operation. A collection of module inputs 401 may comprise current fuel market information 403, historical fuel market information and/or analysis 405, and observable 410 and non-observable 415 parameters derived therefrom. Some examples of possible current fuel market information 403 may include...

...module 301 for processing. Inputs are incorporated into an offering pricing model 425 such as, in one implementation, a commodity volatility model incorporated into a stochastic differential equation describing commodity value. An example of such a model is provided in U. S. Patent No. 7,065,475 entitled, "Modeling Option Price...

...providing a fuel purchase incentive with the sale of a vehicle," filed May 11, 2001, are each incorporated in their entirety by reference. Solving a stochastic differential equation to extract output

offering parameters may be accomplished by a variety of techniques in different embodiments, such as but not limited to grid...

Claim

... the fuel price is a service markup price.

140 64. The method of claim 59, wherein the commodity volatility model is based on a 141 stochastic differential equation.

142 65. The method of claim 59, wherein the pricing simulation is based on grid pricing.

143 66. The method of claim 59...252 commodity type.

253 109. The method of claim 88, wherein the commodity offering pricing model 254 comprises a commodity volatility model described by a stochastic differential equation.

255 110. The method of claim 109, wherein the commodity volatility model described 256 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a Monte Carlo simulation.

257 111. The method of claim 109, wherein the commodity volatility model described 258 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a grid-pricing scheme.

259 112. The method of claim 109, wherein the commodity volatility model described 260 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in at least one analytic formula.

261 113. The method of claim 88, wherein the setting at least one commodity offering...

...solution as an input into a pricing simulation.

384 153. The method of claim 152, wherein the commodity volatility model is based on a 385 stochastic differential equation.

386 154. The method of claim 152, wherein the pricing simulation is based on grid 387 pricing.

388 155. The method of claim...

...525 commodity type.

526 212. The method of claim 191, wherein the commodity offering pricing model 527 comprises a commodity volatility model described by a stochastic differential equation.

528 213. The method of claim 212, wherein the commodity volatility model described 529 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a Monte Carlo simulation.

530 214. The method of claim 212, wherein the commodity volatility model described 531 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a grid-pricing scheme.

532 215. The method of claim 212, wherein the commodity volatility model described 533 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in at least one analytic formula.

534 216. The method of claim 191, wherein the setting at least one commodity offering...691 commodity type.

692 272. The method of claim 251, wherein the commodity offering pricing model 693 comprises a commodity volatility model described by a stochastic differential equation.

694 273. The method of claim 272, wherein the commodity volatility model described 695 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a Monte Carlo simulation.

696 274. The method of claim 272, wherein the commodity volatility model described 697 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a grid-pricing scheme.

698 275. The method of claim 272, wherein the commodity volatility model described 699 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in at least one analytic formula.

700 276. The method of claim 251, wherein the setting at least one commodity offering...

...849 commodity type.

850 330. The method of claim 309, wherein the commodity offering pricing model 851 comprises a commodity volatility model described by a stochastic differential equation.

852 331. The method of claim 330, wherein the commodity volatility model described 853 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a Monte Carlo simulation.

854 332. The method of claim 330, wherein the commodity volatility model described 855 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a grid-pricing scheme.

856 333. The method of claim 330, wherein the commodity volatility model described 857 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in at least one analytic formula.

858 334. The method of claim 309, wherein the setting at least one commodity offering...

...993 commodity type.

994 381. The method of claim 360, wherein the commodity offering pricing model 995 comprises a commodity volatility model described by a stochastic differential equation.

996 382. The method of claim 381, wherein the commodity volatility model described 997 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a Monte Carlo simulation.

998 383. The method of claim 381, wherein the commodity volatility model described 999 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a grid-pricing scheme.

1000 384. The method of claim 381, wherein the commodity volatility model described 1001 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in at least one analytic formula.

1002 385. The method of claim 360, wherein the setting at least one commodity offering...

...1142 commodity type.

1143 436. The method of claim 415, wherein the commodity offering pricing model 1144 comprises a commodity volatility model described by a stochastic differential equation.

1145 437. The method of claim 436, whereindescribed 1146 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a Monte Carlo simulation.

1147 438. The method of claim 436, wherein the commodity volatility model described 1148 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a grid-pricing scheme.

1149 439. The method of claim 436, wherein the commodity volatility model described 1150 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in at least one analytic formula.

1151 440. The method of claim 415, wherein the setting at least one commodity offering...

...1317 commodity type.

1318 499. The method of claim 478, wherein the commodity offering pricing model 1319 comprises a commodity volatility model described by a stochastic differential equation.

1320 500. The method of claim 499, wherein the commodity volatility model described 1321 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a Monte Carlo simulation.

1322 501. The method of claim 499, wherein the commodity volatility model described 1323 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a grid-pricing scheme.

1324 502. The method of claim 499, wherein the commodity volatility model described 1325 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in at least one analytic formula.

1326 503. The method of claim 478, wherein the setting at least one commodity offering...

...1463 commodity type.

1464 553. The method of claim 532, wherein the commodity offering pricing

model 1465 comprises a commodity volatility model described by a stochastic differential equation. 1466 554 The method of claim 553, wherein the commodity volatility model described 1467 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a Monte Carlo simulation.

1468 555. The method of claim 553, wherein the commodity volatility model described 1469 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in a grid-pricing scheme.

1470 556. The method of claim 553, wherein the commodity volatility model described 1471 by a stochastic differential equation is manifested in at least one analytic formula.

1472 557. The method of claim 532, wherein the setting at least one commodity offering...

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... obtain by using individual models,
The basis of embodiments of the present invention is to model uncertainty using differential geometry. The concept starts with a stochastic differential equation and solves a piecewise diffusion equation with impulses. Unlike the Black-Scholes formula, we are not limited to the linear Gaussian case. Our internal model is based on a general predictor-corrector algorithm derived from the appropriate...

...the dynamics of the portfolio, which is a piecewise diffusion process (PDP) [6]. We consider the price and risk of n stocks.

We let the stochastic process $x(t)$ be an $n \times 1$ vector for the price trajectory and $u(t)$ be an $m \times 1$ vector for volume trajectory...

...the Automated Trading Platform forecasts the price trajectory in the Short-Term Price Forecaster, and controls the volume trajectory in the Controller, based on the stochastic model in (1). The form of this model is bilinear in price $x(t)$ and volume $u(t)$, which reflects their 30 interdependence and lack of causality. This stochastic model is the foundation of the Short-Term Price Forecaster and the Controller. In the Controller, we let the volume trajectory be impulses at times T_k and characterize the stochastic process $x(t)$ with the following PDP

$$\begin{aligned} P \\ dx(t) = \sigma + Y, \sum_{j=1}^n D_j f_j(t) x(t) dt \\ + C_f(t) dt + O(t) dt \dots \end{aligned}$$

...explains why the market does not behave as a Gaussian model -because it has discontinuities.

The difference between a PDP model as opposed to a Black-Scholes diffusion model is magnified when considering a real-time system with a sampling interval of 0.1 milliseconds. Consider the current system which is using...

...16/1014 would have a similar impact). The model that represents an embodiment of the present invention can appropriately account for these impulses, whereas a Black-Scholes model will artificially create volatility because of the incorrect assumption of a diffusion process.

Another consequence of the PDP model is the opportunity to take...

...frequency analyses. This implies that we should first predict the dominant frequency and then forecast the phase to utilize our model at another level.

The stochastic process $\sigma(t)$, which drives the price variation $x(t)$, represents uncertainty in our model, and is assumed to be a Semi-Martingale (6). This stochastic process $\sigma(t)$ represents the inherent uncertainty due to the market environment and the accuracy of the model. We let $p(t)$ be an $n \times 1$ vector, representing the average

value of the perturbation introduced by the market. The stochastic process $co(t)$ has zero mean, is of bounded quadratic variation, and has an $n \times n$ covariance matrix function $Q(t)$. We assume that...

...in the subgroups of the portfolio. The voting schema significantly improves the reliability of the forecasts.

3.3 Asynchronous Filter Bank

The Asynchronous Filter Bank inputs are equity and market data. The data

consists of the following items: ask price, bid price, sale price and volume for each equity and aggregated market data. Nominally, the data items should...Clearsight team.

The main idea is to use the following version of Bayes'rule

$P_1(Pars)P(Pars)$

$P(Pars|X)$ -- At Pars is a stochastic process whose sample paths record conditional estimates of the parameters for the filtration generated by the process X . The Parameter Adaptation Engine generates the first and second moments of the stochastic process defined by (21).

The process Pars is sampled at regular time intervals T . During each interval T the conditional expectation (the first moment...

... $W_0 + EA_{jui}(t) + ED_{jffj}(t) X_{\sim}(t) + Bu(t) + Cf(t) + b(t)$,

$i=1 \dots j$

$- I$

where $5(t)$ is a zero-mean stochastic process with covariance

(t) if $i = j$

$Ry(t) = A$ data

0 otherwise

that models the observation error.

We write the observation model for the...

...diagonal elements given in equations (26) and (27). The covariance matrix $Q(tk)$ is computed by finding the trace of the covariance matrix of the stochastic process $P(t) - At$.

$Tr(E[(P(t)$

$p(t))(P(t)$

$p(t))T]) = Tr(ELD(t)pT(t)$

$p(t)pT(t)$

$p...$

...same value, so it is only necessary to store a single value to represent

@w

3.3 Estimation Method for $0(t)$ in PAE

The stochastic equation for parameters is

$dp(t) = 0 + dv(t)$

1.0 where $dv(t)$ is a zero mean Gaussian Brownian process with covariance $Q(t)$...

...identified, q .

The discrete observation model is given by

$-I(tk) = P Q_k P(tk + ON)$
 I

where ON is a zero mean discrete Gaussian stochastic measurement noise with covariance RN and $rl(tk)$ and $P(tk)$ are defined later. The covariance matrix $1.5 R(tk)$ is an $(n \times n)$...

...measurement process for $p(t)$ is written as
 $\dot{p}(t) = P(t)p(t)dt + dO(t)$
 where $dO(t)$ is a zero mean Gaussian stochastic measurement noise with covariance $R(t)dt$. The noise $O(t)$ is due to the noise in measuring price. The covariance matrix $R(t)$ is...

...Continuous Forecast Engine
 (possibly one second).

Assuming the parameters are constant over short intervals, we specify the dynamics of the parameter system by the following stochastic differential equation
 $dp(t) = 0 + dv(t)$
 where the O_{qxI} column vector indicates that O_Q is constant over the interval of interest, and $dv(t)$...

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 COMPUTATION OF RADIATING PARTICLE AND WAVE DISTRIBUTIONS USING A
 GENERALIZED DISCRETE FIELD CONSTRUCTED FROM REPRESENTATIVE RAY SETS
 CALCUL DES DISTRIBUTIONS DE PARTICULES ET D'ONDES RAYONNANTES AU MOYEN D'UN
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... be simulated through algorithms.

Therefore, such computational algorithms can provide the necessary depth dose distributions without laborious manual calculations.

For many years, Monte Carlo or stochastic methods have been used to determine 1 0 particle transport in three dimensions. Such computational methodologies for particle and wave simulations are used in a...

...1 000 fold speed advantage of the instant invention.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Monte Carlo tracks each discrete particle history exactly and develops a stochastic result using hundreds of millions (if not billions) of exact particle histories (E. Cashwell & C.

Everett, The Practical Manual on the Monte Carlo Method for...

...approximate discrete particles, high accuracy is achieved through the use of many phase space particles. Single multipliers are employed within the LVG, providing direct non-stochastic results very quickly.

The fundamental difference between this method and a classic Green's Function Approach [R.D. Lawrence and J.J. Doining, A Nodal...7, 5), or continuing to traverse to LVG surface boundary for further particle transport (Fig. 7, 4). One may generate a ray set through a stochastic process for single collision interaction modeling (Cashwell et al., supra). One may also use direct integration of particle distributions over appropriate solid angle domains to directly compute appropriate ray set geometry factors.

These factors may be analytically, semi-analytically or stochastically derived as part of a precomputation (Fig. 7, 2AI). They are then used with the appropriate discrete angular group AD frequencies associated with a particular...

...of appropriate particle transport equations for inline (Fig. 7, 2) computation of discrete particle LVG ti-anspoit multipliers. A
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preferred method is to utilize stochastic methods with extremely large sample sizes for large regular polyhedron grid systems with many surfaces and overlay ray set lengths upon LVGs.

For irregular grids...

...As such, the most general approach to solving pre-computed ray set

frequencies and lengths is Monte 1 5 Carlo. While this reverts to a stochastic process, one must remember that the computation is off-line and does not involve attenuation - hence material properties are irrelevant. The geometric properties obtained are...

...volumes with their particular distribution as one set. Those particles emanating through an LVG surface are cosine distributed within angular groups A92 and forrn the second moment set.

However, as mentioned previously in the Figure 6 description, one can use the precomputed set for nodes on one side of an LVG boundary, and totally different scheme, such 5 as ray...results comparisons for this problem setup are presented in Figure 14.

Figure 14

Preliminary Planer Interaction Rate Results. This graphic depicts the results of the present invention (middle values) compared to a high particle count Monte Carlo (top values) with percent relative differences (low cell percentage values) for each 103 cell. Results are presented...

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METHOD FOR DETECTION AND RECOGNITION OF FOG PRESENCE WITHIN AN AIRCRAFT
COMPARTMENT USING VIDEO IMAGES

PROCEDE DE DETECTION ET DE RECONNAISSANCE DE LA PRESENCE DE BROUILLARD DANS
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... a minimum number of neighboring pixels; a mean
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norm of intensity gradient vector for all pixels in said portion; and a
norm of the second order moment matrix calculated over
all pixels in said portion. A fire condition may be determined if any one
of the plurality of features crosses an associated threshold.

Different...minimum number of neighboring pixels; a mean 1 5 norm of
intensity gradient vector for all pixels in said portion; and a norm of
the second order moment matrix calculated over all
pixels in said portion. A fire condition may be determined if any one of
the plurality of features crosses an associated threshold. The computer
...data flow of the method steps of

Figure 41;

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Figure 43 is an example of an embodiment of a rectangular-shaped cargo
bay
area;

Figures 44, 45A, 45B and 45C are examples of embodiment of
different pixel
connectivities;

Figure 46 is a flowchart of steps of one embodiment for detection...
inputs provided to the image compensation routine 202. The local fusion
routine 212 may process the feature data 208 to determine whether a fire
is present and/or to determine the likelihood of a fire being
present. The processing performed by the local fusion routine 212 is
discussed in more detail...

...may be used. Because indicators of a fire may be in a statistical
difference of subsequent frames-differences caused by real phenomena
other than noise, stochastic techniques may be used with the system
described herein. Among such methods, histogram processing may be used
given its simplicity and effectiveness in
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capturing...

...of a background image. As can be seen from the graph 300, the energy
generally increases with time in the case of a fire being present.
The energy values calculated at the feature extraction routines
206, 206' , 206". may be provided to the corresponding local fusion
routine 212, 212', 212"and/or the multi...leaf), the signal evolves from
one resolution to the next. An embodiment may utilize the I 0 tree
structure to describe many classes of multiscale stochastic
processes and images such as Markov random fields and fractional Brown

motions.

The tree representation may be used in connection with a coarse to fine ...techniques that may be referred to as the ZOA or zero-order approximate filter as described in D. T. Magill, "Optimal adaptive estimation of sampled stochastic processes", IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control, vol. 10, 435439, 1965; and D. G. Lainiotis, "Partitioning: a unifying framework for adaptive systems, 1 5 I: estimation...

Claim

... and connected to a minimum number of neighboring pixels; mean norm of intensity gradient vector for all pixels in said portion; and norm of the second order moment matrix calculated over all pixels in said portion. 271. The method of Claim 270, wherein a fire condition is determined if any one of the plurality of...

...to a minimum number of neighboring pixels; a mean norm of intensity gradient vector for all pixels in said portion; and a norm of the second order moment matrix calculated over all pixels in said portion. 308. The computer program product of Claim 307, wherein a fire condition is determined if any one of the...

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... symbol, cusip, exchange) closing price, volatility, and trading volume. At step 205, the program calculates estimations for the customer's set of parameters and system inputs based on the most recent market data. At step 206, the results are displayed to the customer as a table of expected costs and standard deviation of costs for different RAP values...

...telling ACE the fraction of the order to be completed by mid-horizon. It does so by expressing the trading problem as a multi-period stochastic control problem. It then calculates the expected cost and the standard deviation of the cost for the resulting optimal strategy. This strategy is recommended for...

...costs for a user-specified weights on cost and risk and trading horizon.

It does so by expressing the trading problem as a multi-period stochastic control problem. It then calculates the expected cost and the standard deviation of the cost for the resulting optimal strategy.

[0025] The execution cost is...

...end of day i

[0031] The mean or expected cost EC may be considered as simply an average value of total cost if the execution could be repeated many times, since the total execution cost C is a stochastic or random variable rather than a deterministic value or number. This is so because total execution cost is subject to a large number of unknown...

...clicking on a "calculate" button on the user interface. The software program will display ACE estimates for the user's set of parameters and system inputs based on the most recent (e.g., real time) market data.

[0044] 2. The user accesses the Risk Frontier screen. A table is presented with values of EC and SD for different values of RAP. The...

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... result of a negative option price. Clearly, this method does not emulate the way American style Vanilla options are priced in real markets.

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The Black-Scholes model (developed in 1975) is a widely accepted method for valuing options. This model calculates a probability-based theoretical value (TV), which is commonly used of the asset generally 5 follows a Brownian motion, as is known in the art. Using such Brownian motion model, known also as a stochastic process, one may calculate the theoretical price of any type of financial derivative, either analytically, as is the case for the exotic options discussed above... option are taken into account. The end results of each such path are summarized and lead to the theoretical price of the derivative.

The original Black Scholes model is designed for calculating theoretical prices for Vanilla options. However, it should be understood that any reference in this application to the Black- Scholes model refers to use of any model known in the art for calculating theoretical prices of options, e.g., a Brownian motion model, as applied ...of evaluating the theoretical price of an option using a Monte Carlo method based on historical data. The simulation method of the '662 patent uses stochastic historical data with a predetermined distribution function in order to evaluate the theoretical price of options. Examples is the '662 patent are used to illustrate that this method generates

results which are very similar to those obtained by applying the Black

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Scholes model to Vanilla options. Unfortunately, methods ...major event, such as risk of war, or during and after a financial crisis.

It is appreciated by persons skilled in the art that the Black-Scholes model is a limited approximation that may yield results very far from real market prices and, thus, corrections to the Black-Scholes model must generally be added by traders. In 15 the foreign exchange (FX) Vanilla market, for example, the market trades in volatility terms and the translation to option price is performed through use of the BlackScholes formula. In fact, traders commonly refer to using the Black-Scholes model as "using the wrong volatility with the wrong model to get the right price".

In order to adjust the price, in the Vanilla market...25 The phrase "market price of a derivative" is used herein to distinguish between the single value produced by some benchmark models, such as the Black-Scholes model, and the actual bid and offer prices traded in the real market. For example, in some options, the market bid side may be twice the Black-Scholes model price and the offer side may be three times the Black-Scholes model price.

30 Many exotic options are characterized by discontinuity of the payout and, therefore, a discontinuity in some of the risk parameters near the trigger(s). This discontinuity prevents an oversimplified model such as the Black-Scholes model from taking into account the difficulty in risk-managing the option. Furthermore, due to the peculiar profile of some exotic options, there may be significant transaction costs

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associated with re-hedging some of the risk factors. Existing models, such as the Black-Scholes model, completely ignore such risk factors.

Many factors may be taken into account in calculating option prices and corrections. (Factor is used herein broadly as...assessment of the risk management cost of the option and of the compensation required by a trader in trading the option.

In contrast to the Black-Scholes model, which is a probabilistic model, the approach

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of the present invention is based on determining what ...the goals of the models are referred to as building blocks.

5 The model of the present invention takes into account many factors that the Black-Scholes model ignores, e.g., factors that are related to transaction cost of rehedging. For example, in the model described herein, the re-hedging cost of...adjusted mid-market price is defined as the middle (i.e. the average) between the bid price and the offer price. As discussed above, the Black-Scholes model provides one price that may be referred to as theoretical mid-market price or theoretical value (TV). The adjusted mid-market price provided by the present invention may be regarded as an adjustment to the Black-Scholes price. Thus the

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adjusted mid-market price of the present invention may also be referred to as the corrected theoretical value (...of mid-market price as a reference for the computations is preferred simply because existing theoretical models for calculating prices of options, such as the Black Scholes model, are typically intended for calculating theoretical mid-market values.

The bid/offer spread, computed according to the preferred embodiment, reflects the risk that is...to Fig. 1, at stage II 0 the model calculates a theoretical value (TV) using a combination of known algorithms, e.g., based on the Black-Scholes model, or any model assuming that spot undergoes a Brownian motion pattern. This initial TV may be computed in an analytical method or using numerical calculations, as are known in the art. The Black

Scholes model is used in an exemplary embodiment because it is a common

benchmark in the industry for pricing derivatives in cases where the underlying asset is assumed to follow a Brownian motion (a stochastic process). The inputs for the TV may include expiration date, class of the option, e.g., knock out, knock in, binary, European digital, etc., strike...market information is based on assets that are continuously traded in the market and their prices are

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available in different forms. For example, the inputs may be based on information

taken from screens of market data provided by companies such as REUTERS,

Bloomberg, Telerate, etc., and/or directly from brokers, e.g., over the telephone.

Block 14 indicates the computation of the theoretical value (TV) of the option 5 being priced. The algorithm for computing the TV may be based on Black-Scholes or similar models consisting of analytic formulas or simulation methods as are known in the art. In some cases, for example, When computing double knock...and a corresponding Vanilla option with the same strike. TV(exotiq) is the theoretical value of the original exotic 20 option as calculated by the Black-Scholes model. TV(Vanilla) is the theoretical value of the corresponding Vanilla option, i.e. the option with the same parameters except for the triggers. Ratio...weighted corrections to the TV, in accordance with the invention, is partly based on the realization by the inventors that models such as 5 the Black-Scholes model underestimate the probability of reaching a far spot level when time to maturity is long. In reality, the probability for a far knock out is generally higher than that anticipated by the Black-Scholes formula. This is part of the reason for the decay of most of the factors with time to maturity beyond a certain level. This type...correct adjusted mid-market price for the exemplary 10 options computed. It is also evident from Table I that the TV calculated based on the Black-Scholes model does not yield correct results.

Referring to Example I in Table 1, the option traded on February 12, 1999, has an expiration date of...114.40, the volatility for this option is 17.35, the forward for this option is 86, the theoretical value (TV) calculated based on the Black-Scholes model is 0.38, and the corresponding Vanilla option price and bid/offer spread are 2.7 and 0.25,

respectively. Table I also presents...

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... 1 . Client constraints

2. Location constraints

3. End user preferences for supplier or energy source e.g. non nuclear
power 4. End user preferences for contract details like
payment type.

These constraints will be secondary inputs into the invention and
not an integral part of it.

The optimiser then transmits the sell rate tariff values, back to the end
user $0...fe(t)l(t) + cl(t)x(t, co) + (d(t, w) - c(t))[x(t, cl(t))] + J.$

This gives the following two-stage stochastic optimisation problem.

minimise $24 [e(t)l(t) + \int_0^T (c_o)(d(t, c_o) - c(t))y(t, c_o)$
subject to $l(t) + Y(t, c_o) \leq 1$

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... into existence offly when the underlying asset's price reaches the
trigger. There are many other tYpes of exotic options known in the art.
The Black-Scholes model (developed in 1975) is a widely
accepted method for valuing options. This model calculates a
probability-based theoretical value (...the rate of the asset generally
follows a Brownian motion, as is known in the art. Using such Brownian

motion model, known also as a stochastic process, one may calculate the theoretical price of any type of financial derivative, either analytically, as is the case for the exotic options discussed above, or numerically. The original Black Scholes model is designed for calculating theoretical prices for Vanilla options. However, it should be understood that any reference in this application to the Black-Scholes model refers to use of any model known in the art for calculating theoretical prices of options, e.g., a Brownian motion model, as applied to any type of option, including exotic options.

It is appreciated by persons skilled in the art that the Black-Scholes model is a limited approximation that may yield results very far from real market prices and, thus, corrections to the Black-Scholes model must generally be added by traders. In the foreign exchange (FX) Vanilla market, for example, the market trades in volatility terms and the translation to option price is performed through use of the Black-Scholes formula. In fact, traders commonly refer to using the Black-Scholes model as "using the wrong volatility with the wrong model to get the right price".

In order to adjust the price, in the Vanilla market...

...strike.

The phrase "market price of a derivative" is used herein to distinguish between the single value produced by some benchmark models, such as the Black-Scholes model, and the actual bid and offer prices traded in the real market. For example, in some options, the market bid side may be twice the Black-Scholes model price and the offer side may be three times the Black-Scholes model price.

Many exotic options are characterized by discontinuity of the payout and, therefore, a discontinuity in some of the risk parameters near the trigger...

...profile of some exotic options, there may be significant transaction costs associated with re-hedging some of the risk factors.

Existing models, such as the Black-Scholes model, completely ignore such risk factors.

Many factors may be taken into account in calculating option prices and corrections.

(Factor is used herein broadly as...assessment of the risk management cost: of the option and of the compensation required by a trader in trading the option. In contrast to the Black-Scholes model, which is a

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probabilistic model, the approach of the present invention is based on determining what corrections must be added to the...The adjusted mid-market price is defined as the middle (i.e. the average) between the bid price and the offer price. As discussed above, the Black-Scholes model provides one price that may be referred to as theoretical mid-market price or theoretical value (TV). The adjusted mid-market price provided by the present invention may be regarded as an adjustment to the Black-Scholes price. Thus the adjusted

mid-market price of the present

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invention may also be referred to as the corrected theoretical value (CTV). It should...

...of mid-market price as a reference for the computations is preferred simply because existing theoretical models for calculating prices of options, such as the Black-Scholes model, are typically intended for calculating theoretical mid-market values.

The bid/offer spread, computed according to the preferred embodiment, reflects the low risk that...

...Fig. 1, at stage 110 the model calculates a theoretical value (TV) using a combination of known algorithms, e.g., based on the Black-Scholes model, or any model assuming that spot undergoes a Brownian motion pattern. This initial TV may be computed in an analytical method or using numerical calculations, as are known in the art. The Black-Scholes model is used in an exemplary embodiment because (inverted exclamation mark) it is a common benchmark in the industry for pricing derivatives in cases where the underlying (inverted exclamation mark) asset is assumed to follow a Brownian motion (a stochastic process). The inputs for the TV may include expiration date, class of the option, e.g., knock out, knock in, binary, European digital, etc., and so on. The market information is based on assets that are continuously traded in the market and their prices are available in different forms. For example, the inputs may be based on information taken from screens of market data provided by companies such as REUTERS, Bloomberg, Reuters, etc., and/or directly from brokers, e.g., over the telephone.

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Block 14 indicates the computation of the theoretical value (TV) of the option being priced. The algorithm for computing the TV may be based on Black-Scholes or similar models consisting of analytic formulas as are known in the art. In some cases, for example, when computing double knock-out options, the... Vanilla option with the same strike. TV(exotic (inverted exclamation mark)) is the theoretical value of the original exotic option as calculated by the Black-Scholes model. TV(Vanilla) is the theoretical value of the corresponding Vanilla option, i.e. the option with the same parameters except for the triggers.

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09394641 Genuine Article#: 401KJ No. References: 4
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Author: Jourdain B (REPRINT) ; Martini C
Corporate Source: CERMICS,ENPC,6-8 Av Blaise Pascal,Cite Descartes/F-77455
Marne La Vallee 2//France/ (REPRINT); CERMICS,ENPC,F-77455 Marne La
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Math,F-78153 Le Chesnay//France/
Journal: ANNALES DE L INSTITUT HENRI POINCARÉ-ANALYSE NON LINEAIRE, 2001, V
18, N1 (JAN-FEB), P1-17
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Author: Fusai G (REPRINT)
Corporate Source: Univ Florence,Dept Math Decis Theory,Via Cesare Lombroso
6-17/I-50134 Florence//Italy/ (REPRINT); Univ Florence,Dept Math Decis
Theory,I-50134 Florence//Italy/
Journal: ANNALS OF APPLIED PROBABILITY, 2000, V10, N2 (MAY), P634-663
ISSN: 1050-5164 Publication Date: 20000500
Publisher: INST MATHEMATICAL STATISTICS, IMS BUSINESS OFFICE-SUITE 7, 3401
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formula ; arc-sine law ; occupation time of the Brownian motion ;
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Title: The trade-offs between alternative finite difference techniques used
to price derivative securities
Author: Buetow GW; Sochacki JS (REPRINT)
Corporate Source: JAMES MADISON UNIV,DEPT FINANCE, ZANE SHOWKER
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177-190
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...Descriptors: finite-difference methods ; options pricing methods ;
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Title: Justifying electronic banking network expansion using real options
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Author: Benaroch M (REPRINT) ; Kauffman RJ
Corporate Source: SYRACUSE UNIV,SCH MANAGEMENT/SYRACUSE//NY/13244 (REPRINT)
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making under uncertainty ; electronic banking networks ; POS debit
systems ; project investments ; IT investment evaluation ; option
pricing models ; real options

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Title: Predictability and unpredictability in financial markets
Author: LiptonLifschitz A (REPRINT)
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...Descriptors: stochastic differential equations ; parabolic equations ;
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Author: Bladt M (REPRINT) ; Rydberg TH
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...Descriptors: American options ; Black and Scholes
formula ; binomial model ; European options ; fair premium ; levy
processes ; stochastic discounting

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Author: SHIRYAEV AN; KABANOV YM; KRAMKOV DO; MELNIKOV AV
Corporate Source: VA STEKLOV MATH INST/MOSCOW 117966//RUSSIA/; MOSCOW CENT
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Method for calculating net present value of average spot basket option, involves applying Black-Scholes formalism to calculated moments of sum of spot values for all assets of basket, to determine net present value

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US 20050222934	A1	EN	16	5	

Method for calculating net present value of average spot basket option, involves applying Black-Scholes formalism to calculated moments of sum of spot values for all assets of basket, to determine net present value

Alerting Abstract ...NOVELTY - The first and second moments of the sum of spot values for all assets of basket are calculated. The Black-Scholes formalism is applied to the calculated moments, to determine the net present value of the average spot basket options.

DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for system for calculating net present value of average spot basket option...

...USE - For calculating net present value (NPV) of average spot basket option for derivative pricing of assets...

...DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure shows a table illustrating the results of determination of the NPV.

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A method and system of calculating a net present value of an average spot basket option is provided. The method includes calculating a first and second moment of a sum of spot values of all underlyings of a basket and applying a Black-Scholes formalism to the first and second moments to determine the net present value of an average spot basket option. The method further includes calculating a modified forward spot, a modified strike value, and first and second modified normal distribution functions for application in the Black-Scholes formalism. A system in accordance with the invention includes a memory that stores data that is exercised in connection with determining the net present value, a processor that executes code to determine the net present value in accordance with the a first and second moment of the sum of spot values of all underlyings of a basket and the application of a Black-Scholes formalism to the first and second moments to determine the net present value of the average spot basket option.

Claims:

1. A method of calculating a net present value of an average spot basket option, comprising:
calculating a first moment of a sum of spot values $S_j(t_i)$ of all underlyings of a basket; calculating a second moment of the sum of spot values $S_j(t_i)$ of all underlyings of the basket, wherein the first and second moments are approximate log normal distributions; and applying a Black-Scholes formalism to the first and second moments to determine the net present value of an average spot basket option.

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Author: SEIPEL, SCOTT JOHN
Degree: PH.D.
Year: 1998
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ABSTRACT: This paper develops a continuous-time stochastic model in which international risk-sharing can yield substantial welfare gains through its effect on expected consumption growth. The mechanism linking global diversification to growth...

... these two types of capital captures the idea that growth depends on the availability of an ever-increasing array of specialized, hence inherently risky, production inputs. Calibration exercises using consumption and stock-market data imply that most countries reap large steady-state welfare gains from global financial integration.

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